

Numbers Matter		Qualified Administrators & Teachers Matter	Ongoing Professional Development Matters	Administrative Supports Matter	Children's Experiences Matter
RATIO. GROUP SIZE (Group size twice the ratio)		STAFF EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS	SPECIALIZED TRAINING	ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES	EARLY LEARNING
STEP THREE ★★★	At no time may group size for children 0 - 18 months exceed 10 children. Effective 7/1/10: At no time may group size for children 1-12 months exceed 8 children. Infants/Toddlers 0-12 months - 1:4 or 2:8 or 3:10 12-18 months - 1:5 18-36 months - 1:6 Preschoolers 36-48 months - 1:10 48-60 months - 1:10 Family or Mixed Age Groups 0-36 months - 1:10 School-Agers 5-15 years - 1:15 * Alternate Pathway	Administrator has an AA in ECE or related field, or the Career Pathways Level 3 Effective 7/1/10: Administrator has a BA in ECE or related field or the Career Pathways level 4 AND Each classroom has a Lead Teacher with an AA in ECE or related field for school age teachers or Career Pathways Level 3 AND 50% of Classrooms have Assistant Teachers who have a CDA or Career Pathways Level 2 Effective 7/1/10: 100% of Classrooms has Assistant Teachers who have a CDA or Career Pathways Level 2	Administrators, Lead Teachers, and Assistant Teachers receive a minimum of 10 clock hours of specialized training annually. After completion of 10 hours of pre-requisites, the annual training must be completed with topics related to the individual's PD plan. Training must be approved as listed on the PD Registry at: www.ohpdnetwork.org Individuals who are currently enrolled in a degree granting program in early childhood or a related field can use coursework to fulfill the annual training requirement.	Program Planning/Evaluation A quality improvement plan is completed and implemented based on a PAS self- assessment, classroom assessments and input from parents and staff and updated annually. AND Human Resource Development Administrator and all teachers must have an annual professional development plan that at a minimum includes a performance appraisal, goals, and a plan for completing specialized training. AND Benefits/Compensation 3 of the following: Salary structure based on education and length of employment; employer offers and/or pays a portion of health insurance; 5 days of paid leave; Paid professional membership; Education benefits (T.E.A.C.H.); Retirement; Discount on child care	Children are assessed systematically utilizing both formal and informal methods to inform intentional teaching and the sharing of progress with families. AND All children (except school age) receive a developmental screening within 60 days of enrollment. Referrals, if needed, are completed within 90 days.
	Available (National Accreditation or overall ERS score of 5)				
STEP TWO ★★☆	At no time may group size for children 0- 12 months exceed 10 children. Infants/Toddlers 0-12 months - 1:5 12-18 months - 1:6 18-36 months - 1:7 Preschoolers 36-48 months - 1:10 48-60 months - 1:12 Family or Mixed Age Groups 0-36 months - 1:5 36-60 months - 1:10 School-Agers 5-15 years - 1:16 * Alternate Pathway Available (National Accreditation or overall ERS score of 5)	Administrator has an AA in ECE or related field or Career Pathways Level 3 AND 50% of Lead Teachers have an AA in ECE or related field for school age teachers or Career Pathways Level 3	Administrators, Lead Teachers, and Assistant Teachers receive a minimum of 10 clock hours of specialized training annually. After completion of 10 hours of pre-requisites, the annual training must be completed with topics related to the individual's PD plan. Training must be approved as listed on the PD Registry at: www.ohpdnetwork.org Individuals who are currently enrolled in a degree granting program in early childhood or a related field can use coursework to fulfill the annual training requirement.	Program Planning/Evaluation A program action plan is completed and implemented based on a PAS self-assessment and classroom assessments and is updated annually. AND Human Resource Development Administrator and all teachers must have an annual professional development plan that at a minimum includes a performance appraisal, goals, and a plan for completing specialized training. AND Benefits/Compensation 2 of the following: Salary structure based on education and length of employment; employer offers and/or pays a portion of health insurance; 5 days of paid leave; Paid professional membership; Education benefits (T.E.A.C.H.); Retirement; Discount on child care	Program utilizes a written, evidence based comprehensive curriculum. Curriculum planning is aligned with the Infant/Toddler Guidelines and/or Ohio's Early Learning Content Standards and/or Ohio's K-12 Standards to maximize growth across a broad range of developmental and content areas. AND All children (except school age) receive a developmental screening within 60 days of enrollment. Referrals, if needed, are completed within 90 days. Results are formally communicated with families.
STEP ONE ★☆☆	At no time may group size for children 0- 12 months exceed 10 children. Infants/Toddlers 0-12 months - 1:5 or 2:10 12-18 months - 1:6 18-36 months - 1:7 30-36 months - 1:8 Preschoolers 36-48 months - 1:12 48-60 months - 1:14 Family or Mixed Age Groups 0-36 months - 1:5 36-60 months - 1:12 School-Agers 5-15 years - 1:18	Administrator has a CDA or Career Pathways Level 2 AND One Lead Teacher with an AA in ECE or Career Pathways Level 3 Stand alone school age programs must have one Lead Teacher with an AA in related field or Career Pathways Level 3	Effective 1/1/10: Administrators, Lead Teachers, and Assistant Teachers receive a minimum of 10 clock hours of specialized training annually. After completion of 10 hours of pre-requisites, the annual training must be completed with topics related to the individual's PD plan. Training must be approved as listed on the PD Registry at: www.ohpdnetwork.org Individuals who are currently enrolled in a degree granting program in early childhood or a related field can use coursework to fulfill the annual training requirement.	Program Planning/Evaluation Program completes a prescribed action plan based on results of their annual PAS self-assessment. AND Human Resource Development Administrator and all teachers must have an annual professional development plan that at a minimum includes a performance appraisal and a plan for completing specialized training. AND Benefits/Compensation 1 of the following: Salary structure based on education and length of employment; employer offers and/or pays a portion of health insurance; 5 days of paid leave; Paid professional membership; Education benefits (T.E.A.C.H.); Retirement; Discount on child care	Programs must have a copy of the following: Ohio's Early Childhood Knowledge and Competencies Infant/Toddler Program Standards Infant/Toddler Guidelines Early Learning Program Guidelines Ohio's Early Learning Content Standards Ohio's K-12 Standards